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DR. EDUARDO FEDERICO LLOSA

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Personal Details

Eduardo Llosa is 46 years old, born in Buenos Aires province, a married man with three children. His wife is at present living in exile in Lausanne, Switzerland. He is a well-known medical psychiatrist, and also has studied philosophy and theology (the latter in Indiana USA). He was a Teacher and Researcher in the National University of San Luis. He is a practising Catholic.

Dr. Llosa was arrested by the police on 8th May 1975. He was given a 6 year sentence by the Federal Court of San Luis on charges of "possession of subversive documents" and "an attack on public order". The International Commission of Jurists, Geneva, Switzerland, commenting on the charges on 21st October, 1981 said: "From the information we have we believe that Dr. Llosa's real "crimes" are his researches into areas of Psychiatry, Philosophy and Theology". He has been adopted by Amnesty International as a prisoner of conscience.

Details of Prison Sentence.

Dr. Llosa spent most of his sentence in Rawson prison, the maximum security prison in the south part of the country. During 1981 Dr. Llosa was transferred to Caseros Prison in Buenos Aires. Dr. Llosa's sentence expired on 8th May, 1981, and since then he has been detained at the disposal of the National Executive Power i.e. under the terms of an order signed by the President which enables prisoners to be detained without charge or trial. Art. 23 of the Argentine Constitution states that anyone held at the disposal of the National Executive Power has the right, guaranteed by the Constitution, to opt for leaving the country. Dr. Llosa has been denied this right, despite the fact that the Swiss authorities have offered him a visa. Three writs have been presented to the Court in Buenos Aires (Habeas Corpus, 31st July 1981; 8th Sept 1981 28th Sept. 1981) in which the judiciary was requested to seek from the Executive an explanation for the continued detention of Dr. Llosa. On 7th January 1982 Dr. Llosa was returned to Rawson prison.

Health Details